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Testimony for HAW 4/20/2012 10:00:00 AM SCR87

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**SCR87 SD1**

**REQUESTING A REVIEW OF THE STATE'S FUNDING FOR EXISTING ENGLISH AS A  
SECOND LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION AND ACTIVITIES AND HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE  
PROGRAMS OFFERED IN HAWAII AND ANY DISPARITIES IN FUNDING FOR THE STATE'S  
TWO OFFICIAL LANGUAGES**

House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

April 20, 2012

10:00 a.m.

Room 312

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) **SUPPORTS** SCR87 SD1, which requests the University of Hawai'i to review the state's funding for existing English as a Second Language (ESL) programs offered in Hawai'i and any disparities in funding for the state's two official languages.

OHA has long advocated for increased funding for the state's Hawaiian Language Immersion Program (HLIP) and other Hawaiian language programs. However, we want to ensure that, if HLIP receives funding reserved specifically for ESL programs, the Hawaiian language's special legal status as both an indigenous language and an official language of the state is recognized and reaffirmed. Unlike ESL, HLIP is intended to perpetuate and preserve a non-English language--the native language of our ancestors, which was on the verge of extinction 20 years ago. We ask that the University of Hawai'i carefully consider this important factor this when writing the report requested by this resolution.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this important measure.

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**Date:** 04/20/2012

**Committee:** House Hawaiian Affairs/House Culture  
& the Arts

**Department:** Education

**Person Testifying:** Kathryn S. Matayoshi, Superintendent of Education

**Title of Resolution:** SCR 087,SD1 (sscr3418) REQUESTING A REVIEW OF THE STATE'S  
FUNDING FOR EXISTING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE  
INSTRUCTION AND ACTIVITIES AND HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE  
PROGRAMS OFFERED IN HAWAII AND ANY DISPARITIES IN  
FUNDING FOR THE STATE'S TWO OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

**Purpose of Resolution:** Requests a review of the State's funding for existing English as a  
Second Language instruction and activities and Hawaiian language  
programs offered in Hawaii and any disparities in funding for the State's  
two official languages.

**Department's Position:**

The Department of Education supports SCR 087,SD1 (sscr3418) and will assist the University of Hawaii in  
a review.

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**TESTIMONY OF PRESIDENT SOULEE STROUD**

**SCR87SD1(SSCR3418) REQUESTING A REVIEW OF THE STATE'S FUNDING  
FOR EXISTING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION AND  
ACTIVITIES AND HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE PROGRAMS OFFERED IN  
HAWAII AND ANY DISPARITIES IN FUNDING FOR THE STATE'S TWO  
OFFICIAL LANGUAGES**

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CULTURE & THE ARTS**  
Friday, April 20, 2012; 10:00 am; Room 312

Aloha Madam Chair Hanohano of the House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs and  
Madam Chair Wooley of the House Culture and Arts Committee and members of the  
joint committee.

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs supports this resolution that acknowledges the  
State of Hawaii's obligation to perpetuate the Hawaiian language as stated in the Hawaii  
State constitution.

Teaching of Hawaiian language in Hawaii's schools should not be confused with the  
Teaching English As A Second Language (TESL), nor should Hawaiian language  
budgets suffer due to any increase of students needing TESL. There is nowhere else in  
the world for students to learn Hawaiian language, covered under the Native American  
Languages Act of 1990 that recognizes American's responsibility to ensure the survival  
of Native American languages. TESL students have the great advantage of being able to  
consult their country of origin for a constant source of reinforcement.

We support this measure that requests the University of Hawaii, assisted by the  
Department of Education and other appropriate entities, to review the State's funding for  
existing English as a Second Language programs and Hawaiian language programs and  
any disparities in funding between the two programs.

We look forward to reviewing the findings and recommendations, including costs and  
disparities in funding, in the report to the Regular Legislative Session of 2013.

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